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Assignment of lands to Harijans in Vriddhachalam taluk.

* 65 *Q.*—Sri K. R. VISWANATHAN (on behalf of Sri M. Kattimuthu): Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state the action taken by the Government on the petition sent by the Harijans requesting to cancel the penalty imposed on them for having cultivated the Vallaru poramboke land (Survey No. 161) in Vriddhachalam taluk and to assign the land to them permanently for cultivation as they were cultivating it for over 20 years?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—"A report has been called for from the Collector."

Sri K. R. VISWANATHAN :—"Sir, when was the representation received by the Government and how long will Government take to come to a decision in the matter?"

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—"The question was received sometime last month and stay had been given against eviction proceedings. The matter will be examined and the hon. Member need not worry about it."

Sri V. R. NAGARAJAN :—"Sir, I would like to know on behalf of the opposition Members how the latter part of the answer of the Hon. Minister for Revenue is essential and relevant? We did not want that answer. As far as the hon. Members on the opposition side are concerned, we do not need that part of the answer."

Sri P. G. MANICKAM:—"பத்து வருஷகாலம் கவர்மெண்டு புறம்போக்கு நிலங்களை அனுபவித்து வரும் ஹரிஜனங்களுக்கு, அந்நிலங்களைப் பட்டாச் செய்துகொடுக்க வேண்டுமென்று 1949-ம் வருஷம் ஜூன்மீ 11-ம்௳ வெளியிடப்பட்ட கவர்மெண்ட் உத்திரவு ஜி.ஓ. நெ. 1625-ல் அறிவிக்கப்பட்டிருப்பதாகத் தெரிகிறது. ஒவ்வொரு ஜில்லாவிலுமுள்ள ஹரிஜனங்களிடமிருந்து அநேக விண்ணப்பங்கள் ஜில்லா அதிகாரிகளுக்கு அனுப்பப்பட்டாலும் சரியான உத்தரவு கிடைப்பதில்லை. ஆகையால் இந்த உத்திரவை அனுசரித்து உடனடியாக ஹரிஜனங்களுக்குப் பட்டாக்கள் வழங்கும்படியாக, ஜில்லா அதிகாரிகளுக்கு கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் உத்திரவு பிறப்பிப்பார்களா ?"

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—"Sir. this particular question refers to a particular area. If the assignment is not objectionable, that is, if it is not in tank or channel poramboke, I think there is every probability of the land being assigned. That is why I said that the hon. Member need not worry about it. I do not know why the hon. Member from Villupuram is worrying over what I said."

The Madras Special Pay and Allowances Rules, 1933.

10-10 a.m. * 66 *Q.*—Sri K. ARANGANATHAN: **Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government have any proposal to amend the Madras Special Pay and Allowances Rules, 1933, to provide for the accrual of the earned leave in line with the old leave rules; and if not, the reasons therefor?**

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THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The rules relating to Government servants under the old Madras Leave Rules and the Madras Special Pay and Allowance Rules is apparently an error for Fundamental Rules. The answer to the question of the hon. Member is : No, the reason being the heavy extra cost involved."

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—" In the Budget speech of the Hon. Finance Minister, he has stated that he is going to liberalise the leave rules of Government servants. May I know what he is going to do in that regard? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" What I said relates to the leave rules of the last grade servants, Sir."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" May I know the extra cost that would be involved due to this liberalisation? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I do not have the exact figures. But it will be a considerable amount. Apart from that, Sir, the fundamental rules were framed for the sake of foreigners who served here to suit their conveniences. I do not think that those facilities are necessary for our Government servants."

Mineral ores in T. Puthur, Musiri taluk.

* 67 Q.—SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(a) whether mineral ores containing deposit of gold were found in T. Puthur, Musiri taluk, Tiruchirappalli district in April 1953;

(b) whether any Geologist was appointed to investigate into the matter; and

(c) if so, the result thereof?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" (a) The Collector of Tiruchirappalli reported in March 1953 that during the course of deepening a well in Tandalaiputhur village, Musiri taluk, a metal-like substance was discovered at a depth of 30 feet. Samples of ore were analysed at the Chemical Testing and Analytical Laboratory, Madras and it was reported that no gold was found but that there were traces of iron pysites which appeared as gold. However, the Geological Survey of India have after analysing the samples at their laboratory at Calcutta reported that the samples contained traces of gold. In view of the conflicting opinions, steps are being taken to get the samples analysed at the Kolar Gold Field's Laboratory.

" (b) No, Sir.

" (c) Does not arise in view of the answer to Clause (b) above."